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**More Milk, Fruit, Less Eggs, Fish in July**

More milk, fruit and vegetables were marketed in July than in the same month in 1951, but fewer eggs, poultry and fish, according to the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research.

The following quantities were marketed in July: 1,407,000 eggs (95 more than in 1951); 1,100,000 chickens (130 more); 1,100,000 turkeys (10 more); 1,100,000 geese (10 more); 1,100,000 ducks (10 more); 1,100,000 fish (10 more); 1,100,000 milk (10 more); 1,100,000 fruit (10 more).

**NATHAN'S FIRE RAZES PART FACTORY**  
 KATZIN, Thursday. — Damage estimated at \$1,000 was caused today when fire razed part of the Nathan's factory in the industrial zone here. Firemen succeeded in preventing the fire from spreading to the rest of the newly-built factory.

**AGENCY EXECUTIVE AND ZIONIST COUNCIL TO MEET IN JERUSALEM IN NOVEMBER**

The Zionist General Council will meet in Jerusalem for one week, starting on November 20, it was announced yesterday by a Jewish Agency spokesman.

The full Agency Executive will meet on November 13 to begin working out a final agenda for the Council session, which are expected to be devoted mainly to a discussion of the state of world Zionism.

Nothing a recent announcement from Bonn that Jews with money in blocked accounts in Germany would be able to take out household and personal goods valued up to \$10,000 (about \$1,200), the spokesman said that Agency representatives had played a leading role in drawing up this legislation. A problem still to be solved is how transportation costs are to be paid since Germany will not permit any of the designated sum to be used for such expenses and Israel ships must on foreign currency payments.

It was also announced that on Sunday, Kol Zion Lagolah, the World Zionist Organization's radio station, will begin a series of regular broadcasts to South Africa over its improved facilities. The first programme will feature an address by the Agency Chairman, Mr. Berl Locker.

**RATION NEWS**  
 JERUSALEM, Thursday. — The rationing of foodstuffs in Jerusalem will be continued on Friday, August 12, 1955. The rationing of foodstuffs in Jerusalem will be continued on Friday, August 12, 1955.

**Personal Notices**  
 Gideon Schallinger and Lore (Architect) (nee Hops) are happy to announce the birth of a SON.

The birth took place on Monday, September 1, at 11 a.m. at Hops Hospital, Haifa. This is the only son of the couple.

We deeply regret to announce the sudden death of our son **ALICE JAFFE** of Ramat Gan.

**WILLY and HANS ROSENBAUM**  
 Our dear wife, mother, and daughter Mrs. ROSA SEIBALD (Born Stanislawow) has been taken away from us after a long illness in the 67th year of her life.

The funeral took place in Haifa on August 10, 1955. Dr. Moshe Seibald, Sylvia Seibald, Dipl. Eng. Clara Seibald, Pola Seibald and the rest of the family.

## Klar Ono Ma'bara Moves Into Houses

**KAMAT GAN, Thursday.** — The 800 families living in the Klar Ono Ma'bara this evening celebrated their transfer to new wooden houses and the construction of an approach road to the new village of 4,000 inhabitants at a ceremony attended by Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett. The tape across the new road was cut by Mrs. Sharett.

Opening his address in Arabic, which was usually greeted by the new residents, most of whom came from Iraq, Mr. Sharett appealed to the Government to help the new immigrants by working hard, living straight lives and by working for unity throughout the country would be moved into huts or permanent houses.

**Strikers Reject Agency Proposal**  
**TEL AVIV, Thursday.** — The strikers from the Rehovot Ma'bara, now squatting on the pavement outside the Jewish Agency here, today rejected an offer of the Agency for the establishment of a four-man committee to discuss the planned move to new quarters.

A spokesman of the strikers told The Post today that they would break their fast tomorrow evening, as fasting was forbidden on the Sabbath, but would resume it at nightfall on Saturday. If no positive reply to their demands to remain at their present site was forthcoming by Sunday the 4,000 Ma'bara residents had threatened to come to Tel Aviv in a body and all against on the pavement.

**Joint Action to Help Ma'bara in Capital**  
**Jerusalem POST Reporter.** — The need for immediate action to solve the health and unemployment problems at the Talpoth Ma'bara in Jerusalem was stressed yesterday at a meeting of representatives of the Ministries of Health and Welfare, the Municipality, the Jewish Agency, Hadassah and the District Representative's office.

It was noted that an unusually large number of chronically ill persons live at the centre and are in need of regular medical care and better housing. Most of them are able to do some light kind of work.

The Ministry of Welfare representative promised to provide for these cases, while the Ministry of Health assumed the responsibility of improving health conditions. The Jewish Agency promised to build a modern dispensary in the Ma'bara.

**ABRAHAMSON, K.M. Pasha.** — The Minister of Health, Dr. Abrahamson, is expected to visit the Ma'bara on September 2.

## Cow Causes Brawl

**TEL AVIV, Thursday.** — The crowd of a cow caused a brawl in the market place here today. The cow, which was about 10 years old, was driven into the market place by a man who was driving a cart.

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**Local Councillors Study Municipal Taxation**  
**HAIFA, Thursday.** — Members of local authorities from all over the country met at the Histadrut Cultural Centre on Thursday to study municipal taxation questions.

The Mayor of Haifa, Mr. A. Khoushy, who welcomed them, said the three distinctive characteristics of a municipality should be: the structure of its budget; the distribution of its services; and a true democratic spirit in its administration.

He deplored the shortcomings of the municipal taxation laws, whose amendment was passed by the Knesset last night, but did not fully eliminate a radical change was needed.

Mr. Z. Yehuda, of the Histadrut Executive, described the serious situation of local authorities at the present time. In 1951, their ordinary budgets totalled \$1.2 million, but in 1952, they were reduced to \$1.1 million.

On April 1, 1952, local authorities were reduced to \$1.1 million, but in 1953, they were reduced to \$1.0 million.

**Plan Calls for More Smaller Towns**  
 A national planning programme, calling for a larger concentration of the population in the smaller towns has been published by the Government.

The book, written by Mr. Arish Sharon, head of the Planning Division, covers the first stage in Israel's physical development, by the end of which the population is to be 2,000,000.

At this stage 25 per cent of the population, or 500,000, would be farmers, 500,000 people would live in the three main cities, 1,000,000 would live in small towns of 40,000 to 60,000.

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**SEMINAR FOR BOND LEADERS**  
 A weekend seminar for 21 American communal and business leaders of the Bond Drive Planning Commission is to open today at Bet Berl, near Haifa.

The visitors are to be briefed by leading Israeli industrialists and officials. The seminar is being organized by the Bond Drive Planning Commission.

**POLICE CLEAN UP IN ORANGE GROVE**  
**TEL AVIV, Thursday.** — The orange groves in the vicinity of the Hapoel football ground in Jaffa were cleaned up by the police last night in search of prostitutes and procurers.

Six women and six men were detained and a large number of men were being prowled around were dispersed.

Police here commented that prostitution, which has been on the increase, has been known to the police to live on the earnings of the women. The matter is causing concern, and energetic action is contemplated.

**MAN FOUND DEAD**  
 The body of Moshe Shalom, about 50, was discovered yesterday morning by 14-year-old Shimon Miral in the man's room in the Nahlat Zion quarter of Jerusalem. It was taken to the Avraham Government Hospital. No marks of violence were found on the body. (Jlm)

## Development Budget 1952-3

The following is the 1952-3 Development Budget which was passed in the Knesset last night (see p.1):

REVENUE	EXPENDITURE
General Revenue	General Revenue
Special Revenue	Special Revenue
Capital Revenue	Capital Revenue
Debt Revenue	Debt Revenue
Other Revenue	Other Revenue

**THREE HURT IN ROAD CRASH**  
 Three persons were injured in a collision between an Eshkol bus and a military vehicle at Kilometer 22, near Hativ, on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway late Wednesday night.

The three were Gershon Manner, 24, of Jerusalem who was severely injured, and two Tel Avivians who were slightly hurt.

**1,000 More Tourists In July than June**  
 A total of 7,000 persons arrived in July, as compared to 6,000 in June and 4,700 in May, the Central Bureau of Statistics and Economic Research reports.

A breakdown shows that the rise was accounted for by tourists, since the immigration of new residents dropped. In July, 1,070 immigrants came, 1,370 returning residents, and 2,867 tourists. In June, 2,480 tourists arrived and in May, 1,133.

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## 2 Killed on Roads, 3 Soldiers Hurt

**HAIFA, Thursday (JTM).** — An Army officer was fatally injured and three others were seriously hurt today when the jeep in which they were travelling on the Ramat-Jerusalem road collided with a lorry driven by Yusuf Rether, 24, of Tel Aviv.

All four officers were taken to Sarafand hospital where the jeep driver died while being operated on. The lorry driver was arrested.

**HAIFA, Thursday.** — An unidentified man was run over and killed by a Haifa bus on the Acre road today when the bus, which was carrying 11 passengers, collided with a lorry driven by Yusuf Rether, 24, of Tel Aviv.

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## Reward for News Of Diamond Smugglers

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**Whites Fear African Uprising in Kenya**  
**NAIROBI, Thursday (JTM).** — Mr. Michael Shindiga, leader of the European-elected members of the Kenya Legislative Council, has expressed "increasing concern" at the lack of law and order in certain parts of the colony.

But he also referred to "wild and unfounded rumours" from abroad concerning the present crisis were in the country.

Curfew restrictions are in force in several areas following the spread of violent crime in Nairobi and Mombasa. The African secret society, Mau Mau, which aims to drive Europeans out of Kenya, is said to be terrorizing African communities and has been blamed for the crime wave.

In a statement published here Mr. Shindiga said the European elected members have made strong representations to the Government on the matter.

**181 MORE FINED IN SOUTH AFRICA**  
**JOHANNESBURG, Thursday (JTM).** — A total of 181 non-European men and women were sentenced in the Magistrate Courts in South Africa yesterday.

The defendants were sentenced to fines ranging from 10 shillings to £5, with prison alternatives between four and 35 days. Most of them preferred to go to prison. Accused were among those sentenced.

**RANKIN BEATEN FOR CONGRESS**  
**WASHINGTON, Thursday (JTM).** — Congressman John Rankin, of Mississippi, has been defeated in the Congressional primary elections.

Rankin, who served in Congress for 10 years, was beaten by the challenger, Mr. J. B. McEwen, who was elected to the House of Representatives.

**Anti-Semitic Mail in U.S.**  
**DENVER, Thursday (JTM).** — U.S. mail is being flooded with the "worst barrage" of anti-Semitic propaganda in American political campaign history, Mr. Louis L. Beane, publisher of the "Wichita Beacon" charged here today.

**U.S. TO ORDER ARMS IN EUROPE**  
**WASHINGTON, Thursday (JTM).** — American officials are drafting a programme to spend \$10,000,000 on orders in European defence factories in the coming year, informed sources said here today.

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The right of a Civil Servant, as a citizen of a democratic state, to hold political views and to vote in Knesset and local elections according to his convictions is not disputed; and few would prohibit a Civil Servant from belonging to a political party. But there is a widespread demand that our public officers be impartial, first and foremost, with the spirit of service to the whole community and that the Civil Service be made up of men and women who can be relied upon to place the national interest above sectional loyalties. It follows that officials can fairly be asked, if need be, as a self-denying ordinance, to abstain from taking an active part in political campaigning and organization.

For one thing, the re-shuffling of Ministry staffs upon a change of Minister or of Government, is a luxury we cannot afford. We need men of talent, judgment and courage, not "yes-men"; and we are not so rich in trained administrators that we can afford to jettison officials who have rendered good and faithful service, but whose political beliefs may not accord with those of the Minister. But if we demand integrity and administrative competence and want to attract gifted men into the ranks of the Civil Service, we must assure them a steady and honourable career, protected from the occupational hazards of political fluctuations. They are entitled to appropriate prospects of promotion, to salaries commensurate with enlarged responsibilities and to an adequate Pension Scheme. There can hardly be a more urgent bill on the Knesset agenda than that which is to define the rights and duties of the Civil Servant; and it is to be deplored that our legislators even now have not realized that their delay in debating this long-overdue bill is no contribution to the morale, and consequently, the standards of efficiency in the Service.

Attention is now being focused on the vital interests of the Civil Servants by the campaign in progress in Jerusalem, in anticipation of the first elections for the Civil Service Union on September 2. The action of a number of Civil Servants of the Capital in setting up an "Independent" list is evidence of a feeling that the proper place for party politics is in the Knesset, and that the Civil Service should be developed on a neutral basis and protected from partisanship. By insisting that their problems be discussed objectively in the Councils of the Union, and that Council members be chosen on a local basis and for their personal qualities, some of our much-abused Peldim are giving the country a very healthy lead.

## THE ANCIENTS WERE PRETTY FOOLISH, WHEN THEY TRIED TO OUTWIT THE IDEA OF SPRING. THEY JUST INVENTED A HUNDRED-EYED GOD, AND WHENEVER COUPLES HUMAN OR DIVINE GOT INTO DISREPUTABLE SCRAPES, THIS FELLOW ARGUS, WHOSE HUNDRED EYES WERE PRESUMABLY INDEPENDENTLY ORIENTED, HAD THEIR MESSAGES STATED AT VARYING ANGLES, REGISTERED THE FACT WITH HIS UNERRING OCULAR SKILL AND REMEMBERED THE GOOD OR BAD NEWS TO THE REST OF THE WORLD. WE WOULD BE THOROUGHLY BLESSED ABOUT A BLUNDERING DIVINITY WITH MORE HUMAN VISION MULTIPLIED A BIT. BY WAY OF THE TELESCOPE, PERISCOPE AND BOMB-SIGHT, WE HAVE BEEN PREPARED FOR THAT MOST HORRIFIC AND FAR-REACHING WEAPON, THE TELEVISION CAMERA. THE OTHER DAY A WIFE STARTED PROCEEDINGS AGAINST HER HUSBAND BECAUSE, WHEN WATCHING A SPORTING EVENT ON TELEVISION, SHE SAW HIM IN THE CROWD WITH "THE OTHER WOMAN." ALMOST WERE STILL, THE WIFE OF A DELEGATE AT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY'S Chicago Convention saw her husband kissing his wife at a crucial moment, and promptly called him that she thought she had broken him of that habit. The time will come when, for fear of being misinterpreted inadvertently by our wives or doctors, we will not dare to smile at a pretty girl.

# THE WORKING WEEK

## Housewives Ask Economics Vote

WHILE people all over Israel suffered from the extraordinary heat, the Knesset was holding its last week of sessions before the Autumn holiday. In anticipation of the recess most political activities were geared to top speed this week.

Those who could not sleep in the suffocating air had many things to meditate about: the younger could think of the extension of military service to two and a half years, while father could well use his wakened night to figure out his newly raised income tax, to which this week a 15 per cent municipal tax was added. To give mother something to think about, the Knesset also approved new purchase and luxury taxes, which are expected to bring the Treasury about H.22 million a year.

Mother, however, did not sleep at the meditation. She and hundreds of other women in Tel Aviv, whose husbands do not belong to the high income brackets, had last December formed local committees in each quarter of the city, following a call to organize themselves against profiteering. The local committees elected a central city committee, which met frequently with various officials of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. Jointly they succeeded in solving such small but important questions as the abolition of queues for ice and other commodities.

Prohibitive Prices. At the grocers, meanwhile, and especially at the green-grocers, prices kept climbing—and that worried mother and her friends more than the ice queues. Fruits and vegetables were de-rationalized—but their prices were becoming prohibitive even for families with average incomes. The women decided that this was the main issue they had to tackle.

First they met with officials of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, but with little result. They then sent a memorandum to the Minister, and finally succeeded in repeating their demands in a meeting with him this week.

First of all, the women demanded that food supplies should be assured according to the recommendations of the special committee of the Medical Advisory Council on Nutrition, which had stated that "wide masses of the population, dependent on rations and on the food supplied through organized channels, do not get sufficient nourishment."

The conclusion and recommendations of the Medical Board were published in all papers, but Dr. Joseph, according to the committee's statement, misinterpreted the doctor's report, which was only a recommendation, as a demand on which the Board had not yet completed its work. Several papers, including THE POST, had signed the committee's recommendations, which, according to the official statement were adopted by the Board.

The Minister allegedly indicated the doctors had said that children did not need more than two eggs a week whereas they had actually demanded an increase to three. Dr. Joseph, however, considered four eggs even for adults as the price of the small and infrequent meat ration. The women also demanded an improvement in the textile situation, pointing out, that while "luxury" dresses priced at H.40 and up were abundant in all shops, there was a severe shortage of utility dresses and other low-priced articles. The Minister's answer was that the expensive frocks were made from non-payment import textiles which cost the country no foreign exchange.

Minister's Advice. When the delegation protested against the constantly rising prices, Dr. Joseph advised the women to boycott grocers and green-grocers who raise the prices of their unrationed products. The women pointed out, however, that the retailers had only a small share in the price raising, the producers and wholesalers being primarily responsible.

The fourth point on the women's list of demands was the punishment of blackmarketeers and profiteers. The delegation said quite openly that they saw no sense in arresting blackmarketeers when it may be months or even a year before the man is brought to court. Dr. Joseph, himself the former head of one of Jerusalem's biggest law firms, explained that legal procedure was a slow business everywhere, even in such advanced countries as Britain and the U.S.

Profiteer on Council. The women, however, dug out an embarrassing fact: the owner of a Tel Aviv factory who was charged with profiteering and his firm had been appointed by the Government as one of the representatives of the manufacturers.

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"All says we should play a quieter game like 'cops and robbers' instead of 'who'll be Mayor of Jerusalem'."

Association to the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council.

Dr. Joseph had his own troubles this week. The one year food import programme, submitted by his Ministry to the scrutiny of Mr. Oscar Gass, Israel's Economic Adviser in the U.S., who is now here, was cut by more than 10 per cent and rejected from H.200 million, primarily because Mr. Gass believed some of the figures which had served as a basis for Dr. Joseph's calculations were a bit exaggerated.

The 10% slash came as an unpleasant surprise to the Ministry, which has already let it be known that H.200 was the figure—and that it would enable certain improvements in the present food level, such as four rations of meat instead of two each month.

While Dr. Pinner of the Food Department of the Ministry was trying to save what he could and push the figure back closer to the original, Mr. Gass made another slash: he cut the sum to be allocated for raw materials for locally consumed industrial products from H.200 to H.150. Taking into consideration on the one hand that last year some H.200 were spent on these raw materials, and on the other that exports will be increased this year (thus earning more raw materials directly), the last cut was expected to reduce the local supply of industrial products by about 10 per cent.

## Readers' Letters

**INFORMAL EFFICIENCY**  
 In the Editor of THE POST:—During my stay in Israel I heard of many complaints chiefly concerning inefficiency and rudeness. I would like to relate for a change a pleasant experience. I had a problem of a rather complicated nature, and was referred to the director of the Nathan and Lina Straus Health Centre in Tel Aviv.

At the entrance to the centre I met a young man who had just helped a lady to carry her baby carriage down the steps, and I asked him whether he could direct me to the director's office. He took me there, he sat down, and said "I am the director, what can I do for you?" While my request was attended to—it involved several phone calls, a check with a recent publication and the issue of a certificate, nurses dropped in with queries, secretaries kind and agree with requests, the director dealt with everybody in the same polite and courteous way. My own problem was solved more quickly and efficiently than I dared to expect.

**ADOLF AMENDE**  
 Ramat Aviv, August 21

**ZICHRON FESTIVAL**  
 Sir, Your paper fully and glowingly covered the Zichron Wine Festival and paid well-deserved tribute to the pioneers of the village. It must have grieved many, however, that no story in it was made of the spirit behind the Festival. Mr. Lillian Friedlander, founder and hostess of the Artists' Colony and Rest House "Bet Daniel," she conceived the idea of a Wine Festival in the Wine Village.

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# HOT DAYS AND ROMANTIC NIGHTS ON WAR GAMES MISSION

## At Sea In An Israel Navy Corvette

By TED R. LURIE

THIS is a story written specially for the officers and men of an Israeli Navy corvette designated by the Hebrew letter Kuf and a number that is still kept secret. They wanted the story to be written for their services in the manoeuvres. Indeed I had been briefed at Naval Headquarters before being assigned to the ship about giving information to the enemy on training and conditions on board. My story, however, is an account of how the "Hei Hayan" (which literally means Sea Corps) managed to overcome the difficulties and turn in a creditable performance in the mock naval war that is now being brought to a close.

It was after midnight on Thursday when we weighed anchor, pushed off from the naval pier in Haifa harbour and sailed through the still waters of the Bay out to sea. To steal out to sea is a phrase that is literally exact, for there is a strange weird silence in a harbour at night that is impressive in its stillness. As we made our way around the buoy and passed between the red and green lights at the harbour entrance, I remarked to a sailor on the deck about how quiet it all was to which he remarked: "Yes, that's why they say the sea is like a woman—calm and quiet until a sudden squall makes her stormy." This budding poet of the sea, it turned out was all of 17 years old and had come to Haifa by way of the Gadna (Youth Corps).

**Down Below**  
 As we left the harbour of Haifa behind us, I went below to try and get some sleep. Again the phrase "down below" was used literally. For the officer's quarters were below the water-line where the ship was pushed round and round by constantly changing currents. You think about how much worse it must have been for the young officer who was a reservist and who had just returned from the Haifa University and that his wife had just been in the service of Aliya Bet, and with that thought

This story is for the boy on the bridge whose first ship was the *Heodius* 1947; for the petty officer reservist who is a teacher and is worried about whether he will be released in time for the opening of the new school term; for the Salomon fishermen who are an expert at the wheel but would rather shoot a gun; for a wireless operator who tunes in his earphones to music from Brunswick and sits at the same time reading the Book of Samuel; for the ship's clerk who is a drummer in a dance band and complains of the lack of an orchestra in the country for the progressive jazz which he'd rather play; for the First Mate, a veteran of the British and Israel Navies but for whom this is his first sea-going commission; for the Skipper who is handicapped by not having a permanent crew to whom he is accustomed and who are accustomed to him but has to rely on an abnormally large percentage of reservists that are green to the ship and vice versa.

For comfort you fall asleep for a few hours until awakened by a call for breakfast sounded on the loud-speakers. Up on deck we find that during the night we have caught up with our sister corvette who is clearly discernible off our starboard bow. We maintain our course all day, and most of the time is spent drilling the men with alarms to battle stations. First the bell on the bridge and then the announcement over the loud-speakers: "Ready for action, battle stations." The men roll off their bunks and scramble up the ladders as they pull on their steel helmets and "Mas Westa."

At first it takes minutes instead of seconds to get to the guns, strip their canvas covers and load them as the fire control officer on the bridge calls through the loud-speakers approximate location of the target in degrees, the approximate range and his fire orders. After hours of drill, this interval, on which the survival of a ship in a surface or air attack may depend, is reduced to measurable seconds. The manoeuvres judge

the time you've finished about, you are in a sweat again, and that is why the water ration of 50 litres per head per day (six times as much as we had during the siege in Jerusalem) barely suffices.

Before the day is out, our stomachs are empty and our heads are spinning. By noon, however, our stomachs are full and our heads are spinning. By noon, however, our stomachs are full and our heads are spinning. By noon, however, our stomachs are full and our heads are spinning.

There is one on the bridge with a stop-watch measuring progress from drill to drill. The time is reduced, too, by making all the decks, alleyways, and ladders one-way during an alarm. Arrows are painted all over the ship—stern to prow on one side and prow to stern on the other. Israel sailors are lucky, too, that they don't have to learn about port and starboard to add to their confusion in rushing up and down ladders, for in Hebrew nautical parlance it is plain genius and simple (right and left).

**Times For Water**  
 Meantime the regular four-hour watches are maintained, and I note that the water supply is turned on for a quarter of an hour after each watch, namely at 12, 4, and 8 o'clock, so that's the time to shower and freshen up. By

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According to Swedish law all these Swedish citizens are entitled to vote—under the above-mentioned restrictions—who are registered in Sweden and listed on the electoral registers. Applications for extracts from electoral registers should be transmitted by the voter to Sweden and addressed to the President of the Electoral Board in the respective electoral district either in the country or to the Magistrate in the city. Extracts from the electoral registers can only be issued if applications for such are signed personally by the applicant and witnessed by at least one person.

Further regarding applications for extracts from electoral registers are available at the Swedish Legation in Tel Aviv. Votes for the 1952 elections of Parliament are received at the Royal Swedish Legation in Tel Aviv (address: 5 Rehov Shilo, Tel. 47005) during the days September 16-17 and 18-19, 1952 between 9 a.m.-12 noon. Extracts are requested in writing their above-mentioned extracts from the electoral registers to the voting confirming their rights to take part in the elections. The elector may vote either on his/her own behalf or on behalf of his/her husband/wife. The elector's personal appearance at the voting station is necessary. At the voting station the elector's husband/wife may be handed over. **ROYAL SWEDISH LEGATION, August 18, 1952.** (Signed) A. KRUMHOLTZ DE VERHOUD Charge d'Affaires a.i.

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in their duties and in their lives. The subtle imagery of Catholic tradition was discarded as meddling and superstitious. Equally the heresies of the Calvinistic tradition were denounced as useless and immoral. Released from the Puritan sense of sin, the Quaker was left alone with his conscience and his God. His life was to be a life of piety, a few rules of conduct, and the spirit. He appeared war and hungry and the consciousness of normal living, and banished everything colourful and emotional, even concern for South Underland.

It was not long before Quakerism descended from those austere smiting heights. The most popular conception of the Quaker was of a figure very different from the enthusiasm of the early days. The Quaker

drawn, convoluted, prosperous elderly gentleman in traditional dress, is a neat reminder of the eighteenth-century period when Voltaire could use the Society as an anti-clerical stick against the French Church; while in the early nineteenth century Cobbett denounced it as blot for usury.

No doubt the uniformity was overdrawn, but some tenden-

Franchise were obvious. Some of the universities and public service by religious restrictions, some of their few outlets was in commerce. Their virtues fostered capital accumulation, and a profitable reputation for honesty.

### Pioneering Impulse

Innumerable small provincial businesses were started by Quakers, but one must also remember the great banks founded by Barclays, Lloyds and Curzons, and the Midland run-masters whose dominance ended only when the American Revolution produced a demand for cannon which they could not conscientiously meet.

But there always were some friends not drawn to the conventional life. These convictions sent them from cultivating

the arts; and the experimental, pioneering impulse of Quakerism began to bear remarkable

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IN the course of their search for enough votes to make them President, the Republican Candidates agree to pay a visit to the Red Indians. Mr. Thomas Dewey did so in 1944 and in 1948. In Nebraska, I remember, the Cherokees tried to make him an Honorary Chief, with the title of "Chief Red Head"; but Mr. Dewey, who is not a very witty kind of fellow, wasn't having any. He wouldn't even smile their pipe of peace.

Gen. Dwight Eisenhower has gone out on the Indian trail with gusto, for he would much rather be out in the open air with interesting, colorful, unsophisticated Red men, than sitting around in some Denver hotel listening to White men who have lost the last five elections advising him how to win this one. He had a very good time in New Mexico with the Navajo (pronounced Navaho) — though he, too, dodged being made a chief and having to wear the feathered canopy that goes with the title. He took a good draw on the pipe of peace, but he whipped it out of his mouth before the photographers could catch him with it.

But the greatest thrill in a day that included speeches, races and a beauty contest was the rain. Water is scarce in this parched land, and the main job of the Medicine man is to make it rain. Anybody who can get the rain along in his way is regarded as a super-man. As Eisenhower held up both his arms in his new more or less copyright arms-length "V" sign, the thunder roared, the lightning flashed, and the rain came down in torrents. This, in the opinion of official Navajo clerics, was "heap good medicine." But it nearly spoiled the show, and Ike had to sit out the results of his wizardry in a borrowed raincoat.

**Television for Blind**  
A new "sightless" television set has been designed by the American Foundation for the Blind. One of the big problems in dealing with the blind is to combat that feeling which the blind person has that he is being "left out" of things. So great is the extent to which television is providing the material for general conversation nowadays, that blind people are feeling left out as never before. So cheap sets which are tuned to take in the sound part of T.V. shows are being provided — they cost little more than ordinary radio sets — with Braille controls. Bernard Kruse, librarian of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind, who is blind himself, says that there is another reason why "telehearing" is useful to blind people: television shows, he says, appeal to the eyes and therefore leave unsatisfied much of what ordinary radio puts in; listening to the sound part of television therefore stimulates a blind person to use his capacity for visual imagination, thus counteracting his tendency to lose his visual memory.

One up, then, for the much maligned T.V. which, in a manner of speaking, can help make the blind see again.  
**Cost of Living**  
Facing an election in which one of the three or four main issues will be the cost of living, the Democrats must be rather pleased with the survey of world cost of living statistics which has just been published by the United Nations. It appears that in spite of what the Republicans are saying, the Truman administration has held down America's cost of living better than the government of any other major country. Whereas, in the last four years, Britain's cost of living, for example, has increased by twenty-eight per cent, France's by forty-three per cent, and Argentina's by one hundred and forty-three per cent, America's cost of living including food, rent, clothing, heating, light, entertainment and travel in the U.S. has gone up only ten per cent.

**Truman's Future**  
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# CULTURE FOR THE KIBBUTZ

MAN of the theatre? Kibbutznik? Life-size tapestry? Joe MacCormac is a bit of all three with various other roles thrown in: he turned theatrical, for example, when he first came to Israel, and now plays actor-producer and travelling-salesman for the drama in the kibbutz.

Joe MacCormac is a Dubliner born and bred, whose early fondness for the theatre led him to the Abbey Theatre. In that time and place, he learned the Irish national drama he learned a good deal of what there is to know about group-play, poetry, song, drama, batons and other paraphernalia of the trade.

The Abbey, whose prop and pillar had been Sean O'Casey and whose political spectacles were alternate stripes of Irish green and revolutionary red did not fail to implant the same way of thinking into its disciples. Joe MacCormac left Dublin — "It's the best city in the world, but it's not for me" — and sought a similar rumbustious atmosphere in London.

The Unity Theatre tucked away behind King's Cross Station in a pall of crime from the glittering scenes of the theatreland, was intended to be a stage of, for, and by the proletariat. However, the actors are mostly very Left enthusiasts independent of the theatre, and the audience is composed of "New Statesman" readers, radical students and advanced debutantes. But the Unity, unlike many small theatres, commands respect for the ingenuity and quality of plays produced on a few shillings and a pocket-handkerchief stage. Even the lordliest critic will penetrate the acety backwaters of Camden Town to see Unity's latest production, "The Good Soldier Schweik," which is being staged either in infatuation or to extort admiration, mixed usually with political tooth-grinding.

**Refused Visa**  
Joe MacCormac directed the artistic side of Unity — stage-managing both mentally and physically — for five years. Then the American Little Theatre awarded him a year's scholarship; but those vigilant gentlemen responsible for the witch-hunt could not stomach the idea of another socialist corrupting the amusement industry, and refused him a visa to the United States. By chance, Ruth Shapiro, of Kol Yisrael, and one of the Chabotz Troupe were visiting London and had seen Joe's work at Unity. Why didn't he come to Israel? Although he had already tested the Israeli theatre at Ohel's London season — "twas awful," — Joe liked the idea. "I'm not a Zionist, never have been, but I like the Jews and I like the word of Hebrew."

He tried to kill all three birds with one stone, and spent nine months at Kibbutz Hasora, "submerging myself; first I was among the kibbutzniks — a tractor driver —

but I asked to work — the dining room and he loved to speak Hebrew." Further intensive study at an Ugan taught him that Hebrew was terribly difficult and Naharia a charming resort.

MacCormac assayed his hard-earned Hebrew at a drama workshop held in the Histadrut centre of Givat Haivri. His production of a fantasy by Shakespeare and a comedy by Shaw were such a success that the other groups decided to try his method of analyzing a play before beginning rehearsal. Each play is allotted "not to be discussed" and "to be rehearsed." At the seminar, he met a young playwright from Kibbutz Beit Yan, who

was anxious that this queer little Irishman should produce something for his 13th birthday celebration. MacCormac was entranced by Chasara, a fabulous and weirdly beautiful, stony and concrete of three civilizations. Beit Yan has been his home for the past year between trips to settlements where he has formed drama-groups and staged plays.

I think most of the folk in kibbutzim are plain bored; if they had longer leisure hours, they wouldn't know what to do. Kibbutz culture is a myth preserved from the early days; whatever film the Histadrut sends around, they all turn

out to see it, or else they just wait until the culture committee arranges a lecture. At Hasora he put on an "attractive" production by Kol Yisrael — and Capote's Insect Play; at Kibbutz Ma'arot he discovered another playwright who discovered recognition through historical drama got an appreciative audience. "Because you have no competition and no box-office to keep off the crowds, there's always a huge kibbutz audience which swallows almost anything; this means low standards or interesting experiment — and in town, it often means the former."

Joe MacCormac professes the latter; he's begun to produce Lepe de Vega on a stage set in the middle of an auditorium, the play "Bambai Am," a Mopam project for Tel Aviv workers who want their own theatre. Several of the legitimate theatrical companies have invited MacCormac to produce for them — "if I did, I might just as well be in England working for a provincial repertory show." His present mood is more strenuous than the normal stage-man, but a sense of black coffee and a cold still keep him going. He is at present touring settlements in the north with a historical play by Eliezer Ben-Yehuda, the playwright from Beit Yan, firmly convinced that if our home-grown drama is to flower into anything, we must stop translating and start taking note of native talent.

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